COUNTY NEWS

Grim Story of Napoleon.

A grim story of Napoleon is told by Thristian Waas in a Frankfort review ander the title of "Napoleon at Yafa." A great number of the soldiers were down with the plague, and one day Bonaparte sent for his chief surgeon Larrey. "If I were you," he said to him, "I should put our plague patients out of their misery. It would save them from having recourse to oplum to soothe them." "But my duty is to make them live," replied Larrey. Bonaparte then revealed the grim truth. He and his staff were reduced to traveling on foot because the horses were all being used for the transportation of the sick. He must therefore either abandon the plague stricken to the cruelty of the or get rid of them. Mr. Waas maintains that the order was carried out accordingly. There is an end, ob serves the Journal des Debats, to the illusion of the famous picture in the Louvre of "Bonaparte Visiting the Plague Stricken Soldiers at Yafa."

A Dramatic Scene. The most dramatic scene ever wit-

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essed in Westminster hall was that trial in Henry VIII.'s reign when 480 men and 11 women appeared before the king and some of his great nobles with ropes around their necks on a charge of being concerned in the rising of the prentices on the previous May day, Fortunately they had good friends in three queens-Katherine, Mary of France and Margaret of Scotlandwho begged for their pardon on their knees, and when Henry at last yielded to such supplications the prisoners, it said, "gave a mighty shout for joy, throwing their halters toward the top of the ball." The stage has never produced anything to rival that dramatic moment.—London Graphic.

Several years ago, soon after "Treas-ure Island" had appeared and attracted public attention to Mr. Stevenson, two gentlemen were traveling up to London from Norfolk. One of them was reading "Treasure Island." Presently, having finished the book, he dropped it into his traveling bag, remarking, "Well, I think I could my-self write a better child's story than that." The other, who, by the way, was his brother, urged him to try. Six weeks afterward the former hand ed to the latter a complete tale in manuscript. It was "King Solomon's Mines," the first novel that made a reputation for Rider Haggard.—London

We Usually Find Our Level.

Do not hypnetize yourself with the idea that you are being kept down. Do talk such nonsense. Nobody of sense would believe it. People will only laugh at you. Only one thing is keeping you down, and that is yourseif. There is probably some trouble some where with you. Of course there are employers who are unjust to their help, there are instances in which empleyees are kept back when they should be advanced; but, as a rule, this is only temporary, and they usualfind their level somewhere.-Succ Magazine.

Plattery Wins.

Woman of the House (scrutinizing him sharply)-I believe you are the worthless vagabond that was here last week begging for something to eat. Saymold Storey—Yes'm, I'm the feller. The cold b'iled ham I got wuz the best I ever ett, an' I couldn't resist the temptation to come ag'in. That's why. Thanky, ma'am .-Chicago Tribune.

Her Dear Friend.

"What nonsense all this is about men getting on their knees when they Mrs. Parslow to he dear friend. "My husband didn't do any such absurd thing when he asked to marry him."

said the dear friend without thinking.

Too Costly. "According to this paper," said Mrs. Naggs, "widows make the best wives." "I don't doubt it, my dear," replied Naggs, "but nevertheless I don't feel Naggs, "but nevertheless I don't feel justified in shuffling off at the present moment merely for the sake of making a good wife of you."

Cobbs—To tell you the truth, I don't think my wife cares very much for me. Dobbs—Well, cheer up, old man. You can at least be proud of her good sense.

-Detroit Tribune. Not Complaining. Belle-I think he has lost his heart. May-Well, he is an extremely cheer

Hatred is like fire-it makes even light rubbish deadly.—George Ellot.

A Heartfelt Tribute to a Friend. A friend of former United States Marshal Isaac O. Barnes having died, he attended the funeral. He arrived promptly and seated himself in the crowded room to await the services. For some reason there was a very long delay, and the solemn silence of the darkened room was anything but con-genial to a man of Mr. Barnes' dispo-

Fanning himself vigorously with his hat and twisting uneasily in his chair, Barnes remained slient for what to lim was a very long time. But at last, eing unable to contain himself longer, he leaned over toward a solemn looking man on his right and remarked in a hoarse whisper audible all over the "I presume you were well acquainted with Billy," referring to the

deceased. "Yes, indeed," said the stranger. "He

Barnes, "and smart, too; smarter than lightning. Why, sir," he continued in a louder whisper, getting executed with the second of the second states and the second was a very fine man." louder whisper, getting excited, "if he had had the running of this funeral he'd been underground an hour ago."-Boston Herald.

Antiquity of Wood Engraving.

Wood engraving, the art of cutting designs on wood in relief, is said to have been known and practiced by the Chinese as far back in the world's history as the reign of the fameus Emperor Wu Wang, 1120 B. C.

stamps were without doubt used by the ancient Egyptians and Romans for marking brick and other articles of clay and in various European countries for attesting deeds and documents at a very early period, when writing was a rare accomplishment. engraving, as we now understand it, dates from the beginning of the fifteenth century and was used at that time in Germany for printing playing cards and figures of saints. The earliest known example is in a collection made by Earl Spencer. It represents St. Christopher carrying the infant Saviour across the sea and was found pasted within the cover of a Latin MS, in an old convent in Bavaria, dated 1423,

Origin of the Metric System

Some very interesting facts have been collected about the foot, the most widely used measure of length in mod-ern times. The measure is derived from the length of the human foot, but apparently has varied more than that portion of the skeleton can possibly have done in historic times. The ancient Welsh foot, for instance, was nine inches long, whereas the Piedmont foot was twenty inches. In modern times it has varied from the Spanish foot, of less than eleven inches, to the Venice foot, of more than thirteen inches. Almost every country has used a foot measure of a different length. It this confusion which led the French to devise the metric system.

Bankipur's Grain Golah,

A curious instance of the magnifi-cence of eastern ideas and admiration for things that are large is the grain "golah," to be seen at Bankipur, in Bengal, India. It was built as a gran ary in 1783, but never used as such Its walls are of masonry twelve feet in thickness, and it stands ninety feet high, with a circumference of forty three feet at the base, and would contain about 130,000 tons of grain. Ac cess to the interior is obtained by a staircase on the outside leading to platform on the top, where there is a stone placed in the center, which can be removed. Now it is perhaps the finest whispering gallery in the world.

Imothered Pig.
There is a fish in Hawaiian waters which is known by the native name of humuhumunukunukukunpuaa, which means literally "sewing up the nose."
The Hawaiian method of killing a pig
to be reasted is to smother it, not cut its throat, and it is smothered, by sew ing up the pig's mouth and nese. This fish with the long name has spines which in ancient times were used as eedles to sew up the pig's mouth; hence the name more fully means "the fish that provides the needles for sewing up the nose of the pig."

Wanted That Kind. "There are some spectacles," declared the lecturing arctic explorer, "that

ene can never ferget."
"Excusé me, mister," called the voice of Farmer Foddershucks from the au dience, "but would ye mind givin' me th' address of the firm thet makes 'em? I'm allers a-forgettin' mine."-Cleveland Leader.

The Dinner Party.

That the success of a dinner party does not depend on the excellence of the chef, but on the proper assortment of the company, was precisely the opin on of a very witty old lady, who wise "My dear, it isn't the menu that makes a good dinner; it's the men

A Bluff That Failed. Careful Youth-Do you know that chocolates are frightfully land for the digestion? Why, I was reading in the papers tonight about a girl that died of eating too many. His Fair Compan ion (flippantly)—Well, if that girl had been a friend of yours she would have been living vet!

Took No hing With Him.

Hicks-Well, I see old Goldrox has lost every dollar an had in the world. Wicks-Incredible! What was it, fallure? Hicks-Yes; heart failure. He died this morning.—Catholic Standard and Times.

Silence is frequently a duty when suffering is only personal, but it is an error and a fault when the suffering is that of millions.—Mazzini.

The relation of a Hindoo husband to his wife is not like a contract sanctioned by the court of justice, but it is permanent spiritual relation which binds two souls together. A wife is regarded, therefore, as a true helpmate in the spiritual progress of the soul life of her husband, while a faithful husband is considered to be the greatest blessing in the earthly and spiritual career of his wife. When she becomes a mother she represents divine motherhood and holds a unique position in the tousehold.

A Hindoo mother is actually worshiped as a living goddess by her children. The children are taught to obey their parents implicitly and to serve like earthly deities as long as they live. To support the parents in their old age, to look after their wel-fare and to fulfill their desires are the duties of children in every Hindoo household. But a mother is considered

The Chief and the Missionary.

Once upon a time a great preacher ame to the camp of the Muskogees and had a powwow with Chief Tume chichee. The great preacher insisted upon leading Chief Tumechichee to the cross, saying: "It is too bad to have no religion. I have and to spare. Come "It is too bad to have and be a Christian, and, lo, you will be great in the land. Pray, and the Great Spirit will hear you and grant your prayer. You and your people shall not want anything." The old chief listened attentively and answered: "I do not like your religion. It makes an unworthy man too familiar with the Great Spirit, and too much praying may cause one to ask for too much. Before you came to camp I and my people believed the Great Spirit would continue to take care of us, as in the past, and our faith is still unchanged. We cannot embrace your religion." So saying, the old chief retired to his wigwam.—Eufaula Journal.

Superstition of Devoushire,

Devonshire is known to the for its superstitious usages, which defy all efforts to uproot them. To name only one example, when a person dies all the relatives must touch the body or they will be haunted by the ghost of the dead forever after. A supersta-tion not so local in its observance is that of beginning no task on a Friday. The writer recently encountered a girl who, receiving notice to change from one room to another on Friday, insisted upon doing it on Thursday instead. But the most curious instance of super-stition—and this, too, is met with much nearer home than Devon-is surely that which prescribes that when, say, a domestic servant has broken a piece of crockery she is bound by fate to break two other pieces. So far is this ficea carried that the writer knows a case where flowerpots are kept for the spe-cial purpose of being broken to appease the fates.-London Chronicle,

An Irishman's Reason.

Sheridan Le Fanu once asked an Irishman what was the English of Carrigtuohil." "I never heard any English or Irish

name upon it, only 'Carrigtuohit' alone," was the reply. "I know," said Le Fanu, "it has no other name, but I want to know the meaning of the name."

"Well, now, your honor," he replied, "I never heard any meaning for it only 'Carrigtuchil' alone."
"I know 'carrig' means a dock," per-

sisted Le Fanu, "but what does toubil

"Well, now, your honor, it's what I can't tell you why it's called 'Carrig-tuohil,' unless it's because Mr. Coppinger lives below there in Barry's court."

A species of sheep in the east, common in Syria, is so incumbered by the weight of its tail that the shepherds fix a piece of thin board to the under part, where it is not covered with thick wool, te prevent it from being torn by the bushes, etc. Some have small wheels affered to facilitate the draggings of these boards after them. The tail of a common sheep of this sort usually weighs fifteen pounds or upward, while that of a larger spe-cles, after being well fattened, will weigh fifty pounds.

The Heartiest Meal. Let your heartiest meal be at night or whenever your work for the day is over Fruits toasts, soft boiled eggs and oatmeal make a good breakfast, the port for the year 1902, where he sa When the intermission between hours of labor is short no heavy food should H. rolls for the years 1901 and 1902 the be taken into the stomach. Hundreds of people who eat heartily and return to work immediately afterward have dyspepsia.

ing Jere Black on Thad Stevens. It is related that Judge Jere Black once said of Thad Stevens that "he was ear and could say the smartest things, but rty that, so far as being under any sense/act of obligation to his Creator for supessed rior mental endowments, his mind was the the assessment rolls for that year, a howling wilderness."

Immortality.

Humanity and immortality consist neither in reason nor in love; not in the body nor in the animation of the heart of it nor in the thoughts and stirrings of the brain of it, but in the dedication of them all to him who will raise them up at the last day.-John Ruskin.

How He Came by Them. She-Have you never tried to make friends? He-Oh, yes. That is the reason I have so many enemies.—Smart

To be thrown upon one's own resources is to be cast into the very lap of fortune.-Franklin.

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What He Did to "Hamlet."

group of actors at the Players' club were once engaged in a discussion as to the ability and impartiality of certain professional critics of the drama, when Maurice Barrymore referred to a certain Denver journalist who was widely known for his dramatic criticisms, "Hayward," said Mr. Barrymore, "was certainly one of the ablest of them. He wrote most learnedly, with the keenest analysis of every phase of the actor's art, and, above all, with no little wit. I am just reminded of what was perhaps the briefest dramatic criticism ever penned. It will probably outlive everything else Hayward did. It ran about as follows:

"'George C. Miln, the preacher-actor, played "Hamlet" at the Tabor Grand Opera House last night. He played it till 12 o'clock.'"—Harper's Weekly.

The Hen Bird's Duty.

In his subsection on "modifications" of types of birds and animals Sir John Lubbock tells us of a particular crow in New Zealand where the male and female differ widely as to the structure of their bills. The male bird has a bill, stout and strong, adapted to cutting and digging into a tree, but he is deficient in that horny pointed tongue which would permit him to pierce the grub and draw it out. The hen bird has, however, an elongated and straight bill, "and when the cock has dug down to the burrow the hen inserts her long bill and draws out the grub, which they divide between them, a very pret-ty illustration of the wife as a help-wate to the husband."

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Circuit Court at Arcadia, Fla., on October 28, 1965, viz.;
Susan A, Robbins of Venus, Fla., Hds. 28398 and 36106, for the 8½ of 864, Sec. 21 and n½ of re½, Sec. 28, Tp. 89 s. Range 20 e.
He names the following witnesses to prove nia continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
Nathan S, Flatt, of Venus, Fla.; Bascom S, lohnson, of Venus, Fla.; William R. Blount of Arcadia, Fla.: William M. Platt, of Arcadia, Fla.:

W. G. ROBINSON, Register.

Application for Tax Deed. Application for Tax Deed.

Notice is hereby given that John Daugherty, purchaser of Tax Certificate No. 169, dated the 7th day of July, A. D. 1902, has filed said certificate in my office, and has made application for tax deed to issue in accordance with law. Said certificate embraces the following described property situated in De Soto County, Florida, towit:

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The sgid land being assessed at the date of the fissiance of such certificate in the name of F. Q. Brown, Trustee, Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, tax deed will issue thereon on the 20th day of October, A. D. 1905.

Witness my official signature and seal this the 18th say of September, A. D. 1905.

Clerk Circuit Court De Soto County, Florida By C. L. Garlton, D. C.

Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given that six months after date I will file with the County Judge of DeSorto County, Florids, at his office in Arcadia, was accounts and vouchers for my final settlement and discharge as executrix of the estate of Clark D. Knapp, deceased. This June 12th 1906.

ELEANOR A. KNAPP,
EXECUTIX.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that six months after date I will file with the County Judge of De Soto County Florida, at his office in Arcadia, my accounts and vouchers for my final settlement and discharge as administrator of the estate of Charles H. Hill deceased. This April 14th 1905.

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Notice is hereby given that six months after
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Judge of DeSoto county, Florida, at his office
in the city of Arcadia, my accounts and votechers for final settlement and discharge as guardian of James Daugherty, deceased,
MARY J SCARBOROUGH,
This the lith day of September, 1965. 56-4w

Notice.

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The creditors, distributees and a having claims or demands sgainst the of John G. Slaven, deceased, are hereby commanded andwalled upon to present such demands or claims to me as administrator of the estate of the said John G. Slaven, deceased, within the time required by law, or the same will be barred.

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